



2024 GRANT PROPOSAL

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PROJECT DISCRPTION

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE PUBLIC HEALTH SYSTEM STRENGTHENING WITHIN KETA WETLANDS COMMUNITIES

There are many environmental problems around our cities and rural areas: pollution, waste disposal, slums and attendants ills and land degradation (erosion, soil infertility, flood, deforestation). The impact of environmental problem has been seen and felt by everybody. Therefore the solution to the many sided problems of environmental degradation all around us call for the involvement of all citizens.

Environmental health education assists the public to understand, appreciate and change attitude favourably towards environment. Effective environmental health education in order to protect the environment can only be carried out through effective communication, utilizing all methods of communication, tools and media of communication.

GOALS AND OUTCOMES

Imagination and enthusiasm are heightened

Environment Health Education is hands-on, interactive learning that sparks the imagination and unlocks creativity. When EHE is integrated into the curriculum, students are more enthusiastic and engaged in learning, which raises student achievement in core academic areas.

Critical and creative thinking skills are enhanced

Environment Health Education encourages students to research, investigate how and why things happen, and make their own decisions about complex environmental issues. By developing and enhancing critical and creative thinking skills, EHE helps foster a new generation of informed consumers, workers, as well as policy or decision makers.

State and national learning standards are met for multiple subjects

By incorporating Environment Health Education practices into the curriculum, teachers can integrate science, math, language arts, history, and more into one rich lesson or activity, and still satisfy numerous state and national academic standards in all subject areas. Taking a class outside or bringing nature indoors provides an



excellent backdrop or context for interdisciplinary learning.

Healthy lifestyles are encouraged

Environment Health Education gets students outside and active, and helps address some of the health issues we are seeing in children today, such as obesity, attention deficit disorders, and depression. Good nutrition is often emphasized through EHE and stress is reduced due to increased time spent in nature.

Communities are strengthened

Environment Health Education promotes a sense of place and connection through community involvement. When students decide to learn more or take action to improve their environment, they reach out to community experts, donors, volunteers, and local facilities to help bring the community together to understand and address environmental issues impacting their neighborhood.

TARGET AUDIENCE

Our project will reach out to Basic, High schools (Junior and Senior) and Tertiary Institutions within the Keta Municipality. We also engage other various youth groups and movements.

- The population within the Keta Wetlands Communities
- Students of the Keta Nursing and Midwifery Training College
- Students of the Keta Senior High Technical School

VISION FOR KETA MUNICIPALITY

To be the Leading performing District Assembly in Local Governance to achieve the highest level of socio - economic development and a healthy environment in Ghana.

MISSION FOR KETA MUNICIPALITY

The Keta Municipal Assembly exists to harness all human and material resources in the Municipality to improve the living conditions of the people by promoting effective and efficient local governance and the provision of socio - economic infrastructure and services in a healthy environment for accelerated development in the Municipality.

The policy measures identified to achieve this overall goal are prioritized in four-dimensional areas, namely:

- Social Development
- Economic Development



- Environment, Infrastructure and Human settlement
- Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability

The government further states its intention to pursue policies and programmes that will lead to the overall vision for the nation under the Coordinated Programme of Economic and Social Development Policies.

“An optimistic, self-confident and prosperous nation, through the creative exploitation of our human and natural resource, and operating within a democratic, open and fair society in which mutual trust and economic opportunities exist for all”

Consequently, the Medium-Term priority policies will base on the following strategic goals:

- Builds a Prosperous Society
- Maintain a Stable, United and Safe Society
- Create Opportunities for All
- Safeguard the Natural Environment and Ensure a Resilient Built Environment

ECONOMIC DIMENSION

The overall goal for the dimension was to build a prosperous society. This was based on the various broad objectives across five focus areas. The programmes and activities implemented from 2018 – 2021 under these areas led to great improvement in the level of the Internally Generated Funds; increase in output of crops such as cassava and tomatoes; increase in output of livestock such as goat, pig and poultry; improvement in farmer to extension officer ratio. Other notable achievements includes higher number of people including youths benefiting from planting for food and jobs, rearing for food and jobs as well as increase in the number of youths provided with employable skills. The local economy has been transformed as a result of prudent measures put in place by the management of the municipality through improvement in the market infrastructure and putting in place workable revenue Improvement Action Plan (RIAP) as well.



ENVIRONMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND HUMAN SETTLEMENT

The goal of the dimension was to safeguard the natural environment and ensure a resilient built environment. Notable achievement in this dimension includes the extension of electricity to some communities in the Municipality which were hitherto not connected to the national grid thereby increasing access to affordable, clean and renewable energy to achieve SDG 7. However, indiscriminate and uncontrolled sand winning, water and air pollution and inadequate physical planners to control development.

ACTIVITIES

- A. Twelve months Radio programs on Environment Health and Safety for all communities within the Keta Municipality and monthly community cleaning programs.
- B. Environment Health Education and talks in Keta Nursing and Midwifery Training College and Keta Senior High Technical School
- C. Promoting Sustainable Public Health System Strengthening Best Practice with other stockholders in Keta and worldwide.

LIST OF COLLABORATORS

Our project will reaches out to Basic, High schools (Junior and Senior) and Tertiary Institutions within the Keta Municipality. We also engage other various youth groups and movements.

- Management of the Keta Nursing and Midwifery Training College, supporting with furniture and space for presentation to the audience
- Management of the Keta Senior High Technical School , supporting with furniture and space for presentation to the audience

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EVALUATION PLAN

Project evaluation should happen in all environmental health education projects. Evidence we shall collect through evaluation enables us to be accountable to funders and to the public. It allows us to communicate clearly about what to do, to document a project's progress, and to measure its results. Evaluation findings can help us improve our project, plan future project, and make decisions about how to use our project resources.

Evaluation is useful at different points in the life of a project.

- In the design phase, when a project is being planned, evaluation procedures can help you decide what form the project might take and what project activities are most likely to be effective.

Program Evaluation for Environmental Health Education

- During the early implementation period, when we are testing and refining the project's activities, an evaluation can help determine what modifications may be needed.
- During the established, sustained period, an evaluation can help you decide if a project is meeting expectations—Are the goals being met? Are the expected results being achieved? Are there ways the program can be made more efficient or effective?

A set of questionnaires will be administered to the target groups with reliable indicators for evaluation report on the project.

BANK DETAILS

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